

## VSP Public Comment

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Should California reject the proposed Diebold system? Vote=Yes

The proposed Diebold system using unstable thermal paper is unsatisfactory, as we need a voting system that does everything possible to facilitate recounts. For maximum honesty of our voting system, the following four citizen-proposed requirements are essential for the paper trail:

- 1) At least 12-point type.
- 2) Separate sheet for each vote record, 16-lb paper (or heavier).
- 3) Permanent ink record.
- 4) Recount-friendly format.

Each voter should receive a copy of his vote to take home with him/her. Actually, the vote shouldn't be done by invisible-to-the-voter digital means at all. We should go back to punch cards or some other method that enables the voter to inspect his vote before it's counted. Combination digital-mechanical machines could be devised to facilitate voting for the disabled.

In any case, it's very important that there be no Internet access or remote wireless access to voting machines, and that any recounts be done by hand rather than by automated digital means, as we all know that hacking is an ever-present threat.

I understand that Diebold has been trying to subvert fair recounts. If so, it makes sense that Diebold should be banned from doing business in California for three years.

I hope you'll be able to write me to let me know what's being done about this threat.

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### Citizen Proposed Standards:

The AVVPAT shall be printed on single sheet non-thermal at least 16 pound paper, one record of vote per sheet.

Every recorded vote, no matter how recorded, shall have a AVVPAT copy.

The AVVPAT record of the vote shall be printed in a minimum of 12 point font.

The AVVPAT shall be printed and organized to be easily read by both the voter and election officials.

The AVVPAT during the 1% manual audit and any recount shall be physically verified and hand counted only.

The recorded vote choices on the AVVPAT shall not be audited or recounted by automatic or electronic methods.

There shall not be a method by which any particular voting record can be connected to any particular voter.

Any AVVPAT spoiled or rejected by a voter because of a voting system error shall not be

counted as a spoiled ballot under the two spoiled ballots limit.

No remote access to voting machines by wireless or internet.